OKLA CITY TIMES 7/30/64

Prosecutor Denies Cover-Up

DALLAS (AP) — District Attorney Henry Wade denied Wednesday that his staff withheld evidence about Jack Ruby's mental condition when the striptease club manager faced a jury on a charge of murdering Lee Harvey Oswald.

Defense lawyers charged Wade should have revealed that Ruby, 53, was treated in an Illinois mental hospital while a boy. They argued that the information was in an FBI report furnished to prosecutors and that it would have bolstered the defense plea of temporary insanity.

"We didn't withhold anything," Wade said. "We didn't have this information at the time of Ruby's trial. Actually, I can't see that it makes any difference anyway what happened to him when he was a 10-year-old boy. I can't see how it would have any bearing on the murder charge against him."